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TAGS: PDIP, PEPR, PINR, AF, TU
SUBJ: BIO INFORMATION ON TURKISH AMBASSADOR DESIGNATE TO AFGHANISTAN, ILHAN BAKAY

REF: KABUL 3977

1. ILHAN BAKAY, A CAREER DIPLOMAT, WAS BORN IN ISTANBUL IN 1922. HE IS A GRADUATE OF GALATASARAY LYCEE AND OF THE POLITICAL SCIENCE FACULTY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ANKARA HE SERVED AS A RESERVE OFFICER IN THE TURKISH ARMY IN 1947-1948 AND ENTERED THE FOREIGN MINISTRY IN 1950. HE HAS SERVED ABROAD IN HAMBURG, NAPLES, BANGKOK, ATHENS AND ESSEN WHERE HE WAS CONSUL GENERAL. FROM 1972 UNTIL 1975 HE WAS ACTING DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CONVENTIONS OF THE DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF CONSULAR AFFAIRS AT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. HE WAS THEN ASSIGNED AS CONSUL GENERAL IN BERLIN. ALTHOUGH BAKAY WILL SERVE AS AMBASSADOR FOR THE FIRST TIME IN KABUL, HIS POSITION IN BERLIN -- ONE OF THE TURKISH FOREIGN SERVICE'S LARGEST AND BUSIEST POSTS -- WAS IN MANY WAYS EQUIVALENT TO AN AMBASSADORIAL ASSIGNEMENT.

2. BAKAY SPEAKS FRENCH, ENGLISH AND PROBABLY GERMAN. HE IS MARRIED AND HAS AT LEAST ONE CHILD.

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3. ANKARA EMBASSY OFFICE MET BAKAY IN BERLIN LAST SUMMER. HE WAS OUTGOING, FRIENDLY, CALM, AND RELAXED. BAKAY APPEARED TO BE POPULAR AMONG DIPLOMATS AND TURKS RESIDENT IN BERLIN. IN HIS TALKS WITH EMBASSY OFFICER HE WAS OPEN AND FRIENDLY AND DID NOT DEMONSTRATE ANY ANTI-AMERICAN OPINIONS. ALTHOUGH NATO WAS NOT DISCUSSED, HE WAS VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THE ATLANTIC COMMUNITY TOUR GROUP WHICH EMBASSY OFFICER WAS

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ESCORTING. IN ADDITION TO THE COCKTAIL PARTY HE GAVE FOR THE GROUP, HE CAME TO THE AIRPORT TO GREET THE GROUP ON ARRIVAL, EVEN THOUGH IT WAS AFTER 11:00 P.M. ON A WEEK DAY.
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